

About OHSP

- Responsible for administering:
 - Federal traffic safety funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
 - Michigan Truck Safety Commission
 - Secondary Road Patrol

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Traffic Safety Objectives

- Support programs with the greatest potential to save lives and prevent injuries.
- Use problem identification as the basis for program and funding decisions.
 - Source: Michigan Traffic Crash Facts
- Focus on behavior change.

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Priority Areas • Increase safety belt use - Nearly 40 percent of those people who die in Michigan traffic crashes are not buckled up. • Reduce drunk driving - Nearly 36 percent of all fatalities involve alcohol and/or drugs.

Changing Behavior

• Numerous studies conclude the most effective way to change behavior is through traffic enforcement campaigns.



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Priority Programs • Buckle Up or Pay Up - Click It or Ticket BUCKLE UP PAGUP • You Drink & Drive. You Drink & Drive.

National Enforcement Campaigns Nationally, the states have begun to work on coordinated enforcement efforts at specific times of the year. Coordinated by NHTSA and others Seeing success at increasing safety belt use

State-Level Enforcement

- OHSP grant funds allow high-crash counties to use federal traffic safety funds for overtime enforcement of safety belt and drunk driving laws(*Drive Michigan Safely Task Force*).
- All law enforcement agencies are invited to participate in mobilizations.
- Can qualify for random drawings for equipment or overtime funds.

Key Audiences

- Safety belt efforts: young men, minority populations
- Alcohol and drunk driving: young men
 - Using paid advertising for these hard-to-reach populations.

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Working with Partners • Mobilizations efforts are assisted by: - MDOT changeable message signs. - Information at Department of State branch offices. - Banners hung by law enforcement agencies. - Information available through local public health departments. - Articles in public and private newsletters.

The Planning Process

- OHSP uses traffic crash data, research and best practice models to determine programming.
- Grant funds are channeled where the crash problem is greatest, generally highpopulation centers.
- OHSP accepts proposals for grant funding; however, these must address priority areas.

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The Grant Process

- The annual Highway Safety Plan takes shape annually in the spring.
- It determines funding and programming for the upcoming fiscal year.

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Other Program Areas • Bicycles • Child Passenger Safety • Corporate Outreach • Elderly Mobility • Judicial Outreach • Motorcycles • Pedestrians • Roadway Safety • Safe Communities • Traffic Records • Young Drivers • Young Drivers • Youth Alcohol